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SUBJECT: TRAVEL TO TAIWAN OF MR. ROY LINSENMEYER

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1. WE HAVE LEARNED THAT MR. ROY LINSENMEYER, CINCPAC DIRECTOR OF RESEARCH AND ANALYSIS, PLANS TO VISIT TAIWAN (APRIL 21-23) WITH A GROUP OF SPECIALISTS FROM THE ARMY MATERIEL SYSTEMS ANALYSIS AGENCY. THIS GROUP REPORTEDLY WILL BRIEF MAAG, TDC AND ROC MILITARY PERSONNEL ON THE USE OF MUNITIONS EFFECTIVENESS MANUALS GIVEN THE ROC LAST YEAR.

2. WHILE WE HAVE NO OBJECTION TO THE ARMY GROUP'S VISIT, WE ARE PUZZLED BY THE FREQUENCY OF LINSENMEYER'S RECENT TRAVEL TO TAIWAN (BY OUR COUNT THIS WOULD BE HIS FOURTH VISIT IN
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SIX MONTHS) AND WONDER WHETHER THERE ARE COMPELLING REASONS FOR HIS LATCHING ON TO THIS GROUP. OUR CONCERNS ARE ACCENTUATED BY HIS ROLE LAST YEAR IN PROMOTING THE PACIFIC CONFERENCE ON DECISION ANALYSIS WITHOUT TAKING INTO ACCOUNT THE POLITICAL SENSITIVITIES OF USG PARTICIPATION IN SUCH MULTILATERAL MILITARY CONFERENCES ON TAIWAN. IN LIGHT OF THESE CONCERNS AND OUR POLICY OF MINIMIZING NON-

ESSENTIAL MILITARY VISITS TO TAIWAN, YOU SHOULD CONTACT

APPROPRIATE CINCPAC OFFICIALS TO DETERMINE (A) WHETHER
THERE ARE COMPELLING REASONS FOR LINSSENMEYER'S PROPOSED
VISIT TO TAIWAN AND (B) WHETHER HIS PARTICIPATION IN
THE ARMY GROUP'S TRIP TO TAIWAN HAS BEEN GIVEN THOROUGH
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